

national religious life. In the days ahead, his value as a leader becomes all the more important to the religious community as it must be capable of meeting the increasing challenges presented by generations of African-Americans who are seeking to revitalize their spiritual resources.

Dr. Clark is a visionary and a quintessential leader whose rare blend of innate biblical knowledge and scholarship makes him well suited for the many challenges that are routine occurrences in our society. Although he has a lengthy list of awards and accomplishments, Dr. Clark is most proud of the young people who have come to Christ because of his inspiration and teaching.

We are pleased that the Reverend Doctor Caesar Arthur Walter Clark resides in Texas's 30th Congressional District. Furthermore, I am proud of his many deeds and milestones as a pastor, an evangelist, a leader, and a citizen. I wholeheartedly offer commendations in recognition of his 65 years as an outstanding preacher and pastor. Today, I join members of the clergy, church members, Dallas citizens, and others to show appreciation and to acknowledge the many contributions and achievements by Dr. Clark, a man well worthy of praise.

HONORING BERNADETTE A. BUDDE

HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 7, 1995

Mr. DAVIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Bernadette A. Budde, a woman who is legendary in Washington and across the Nation for her political acuity and her forthright personal style.

Bernadette A. Budde came to BIPAC in 1970 as a research analyst. In 1974, she was promoted to director of political education, and vice president, political education in 1984. She was named vice president in 1993.

She is responsible for the development and implementation of all BIPAC's political analysis programs that guide executives and business owners in effective political participation. These include the organization's conferences, briefings, and publications.

She edits Election In*Sight, a comprehensive monthly report on congressional campaigns, politics, and election regulation. Known as the bible for politically active business managers, Elections In*Sight is BIPAC's flagship production. Ms. Budde also is responsible for editorial direction of other BIPAC publications, including two quarterly newsletters, Politics and Action Report.

Her guidance on political campaigns, election law, and campaign finance is widely sought by congressional candidates and incumbents. She has authored a number of published articles, and speaks frequently to business and educational audiences.

Ms. Budde holds degrees from Marquette University and the University of Maryland.

Mr. Speaker, I know my colleagues join me in honoring Ms. Bernadette A. Budde for all of her accomplishments not only to BIPAC, but to national politics as a whole.

TRIBUTE TO PRIME MINISTER YITZHAK RABIN

HON. BOB FRANKS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 7, 1995

Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my sincere grief over the tragic and unexpected death of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. Mr. Rabin was a great peacemaker, a great leader, and a great man, one who will be remembered for generations to come. To the entire world community, his death is a great loss.

Yesterday, at the funeral ceremony, the President said that Yitzhak Rabin was not only a martyr for peace, but also a victim of hate. Mr. Speaker, in the 1990's this kind of hate has plagued the world with its destruction. We saw it in the refugee camps of death in Rwanda; in the embattled streets of East Timor; and in the mass graves of Bosnia.

Now, on the verge of a lasting peace in the volatile Middle East, we see this hatred in Israel. We see it in the bus bombings and in the gun shots in the Gaza Strip. And most recently we see it in the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin, a man who helped to bring about an agreement between Israel and Palestine on the White House lawn that in years past, people had only seen in their dreams.

It is said that you can kill a man, but not an idea. Mr. Speaker, I challenge those who yearn for a new era of peace and an end to the hatred that fuels conflict throughout this world to join Israel, the Palestine Liberation Organization, the United States, and all other parties to help find a path to peace, so that Mr. Rabin's death will not be in vain.

A TRIBUTE TO PRIME MINISTER YITZAHK RABIN

HON. MICHAEL P. FORBES

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 7, 1995

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, reflecting on Rabin's life, I realize that he has much in common with the prophets of the Bible. Like Abraham and Moses, Rabin pursued a vision amidst tremendous adversity. Rabin sought to fulfill the dream of establishing a Jewish state, of making his people a nation among the nations. In pursuing this vision, he demonstrated tremendous courage and leadership.

Rabin was the pragmatic general who understood that one cannot rely on diplomacy alone, but must also be prepared to defend oneself. To that end, he built up Israel's Defense Forces and led troops to victory against tremendous odds in Israel's numerous wars. In Israel's war of independence in 1948, Rabin played an integral role by serving as the commander of the Palmach's Harel Brigade and by repelling Egyptian forces from the Negev desert. In the 1967 six day war, as chief of staff of the Israel Defense Forces, Rabin brilliantly commanded Israel's defense forces in taking the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, and the Golan Heights. As Prime Minister in 1976, Rabin authorized the legendary Entebbe military operation, in which Israel rescued 103 air-line passengers held hostage by the PLO.

Rabin's chief concern was always the security of the state of Israel. As Ambassador to the United States from 1968 to 1972, Rabin strengthened relations between the United States and Israel, persuading the United States to supply Israel with arms essential to its survival. As Defense Minister from 1984 to 1990, Rabin continued to strengthen Israel's military establishment. Rabin's focus on security is also apparent in his joint service as both Prime Minister and Minister of Defense from 1992 until his assassination.

Rabin was not just a superb strategist and war hero, but also a peacemaker. Although he witnessed thousands of soldiers die in the six day war and possessed a profound understanding of the strategic importance of the territories, Rabin pursued the dream of peace by signing an interim peace agreement with the Palestinians. In pursuing peace, Rabin hoped that Israel would become a normal state, a state no longer at war with its neighbors and a state that would no longer have to constantly sacrifice its young men to wars.

Rabin's leadership on the battlefield and at the peace table provides great lessons to us all. Unlike so many of our political leaders of our time, Rabin did not consult the polls to determine his policies. Instead, he followed a bold vision and refused to allow extremists to prevent him from realizing his vision of peace. No matter how low his public approval ratings were and no matter how many funerals he attended of Israeli victims of suicide bombings, Rabin remained steadfast in his commitment to implementing the Oslo agreement. Rabin was willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for peace and was justly rewarded for doing so when he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

The legacy of Rabin's life is tremendous. Nearly 100 years after the First Zionist Congress, convened in Switzerland in 1897, Rabin brought his country closer than ever before to peace with its neighbors. Those who came to pay their respects yesterday were a testament to the tremendous changes he brought about in the region. The attendance of 40 world leaders, including Jordan's King Hussein and Egypt's Hosni Mubarak, demonstrates the respect he instilled in so many people for his leadership, including his former enemies.

The assassination demonstrates that the peace process is a fragile process and therefore, the United States must remain unequivocally committed to our close ally Israel.

Rabin served Israel as both a warrior and a peacemaker, continually pursuing the dream of political normalcy for Israel. May his memory be a blessing to us all and may we learn from his extraordinary example of leadership, vision, and courage. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Leah, his loving family, and all the people of Israel during this sad and difficult time.

TRIBUTE TO TAMARAC VICE MAYOR IRVING KATZ

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 7, 1995

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, today I'd like to pay tribute to Irving Katz, a dedicated community leader in Tamarac, FL. Irving lead a life filled with community involvement which was exemplified by his service as